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## Catfish Estimating Procedures

The Catfish Processing data presented on Page 4 refers strictly to farm-raised fish and excludes wild capture fish. Prior to summarization, questionnaires are compared with the previous month's reports for comparable placement of data, reasonable price levels, and reasonable inventory carryover given the sales and processing totals reported. Estimates are made for those processors whose reports are not available in time to be included in the release. Estimates are normally based on the processor's previous report and current conditions. Published totals are a straight summation of the individual reports and

estimated data. Price items are weighted by the associated volumes to compute weighted average prices. The published price for total whole fish, however, reflects an adjustment to the round and gutted only price to bring it to an equivalent dressed weight price. Only national level estimates are published due to the limited number of plants involved. Generally, individual items are not published if there are less than three plants reporting, or if any one plant has 60 percent or more of the total.

## Milk Cows and Production, by Selected States and United States, July-September, 2001 - 2002

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		Change From 2001
	2001	2002	2001	2002	
	1,000 Head		Million Pounds		Percent
Alabama	21	20	63	59	-6.3
Arkansas	34	32	95	90	-5.3
Georgia	86	84	315	330	4.8
Kentucky	128	122	387	372	-3.9
Louisiana	54	50	131	125	-4.6
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>-1.0</b>
Missouri	144	136	434	444	2.3
Oklahoma	89	88	315	316	0.3
South Carolina	20	20	80	80	0.0
Tennessee	90	88	305	305	0.0
Texas	321	308	1,113	1,202	8.0
United States	9,098	9,159	40,570	41,965	3.4

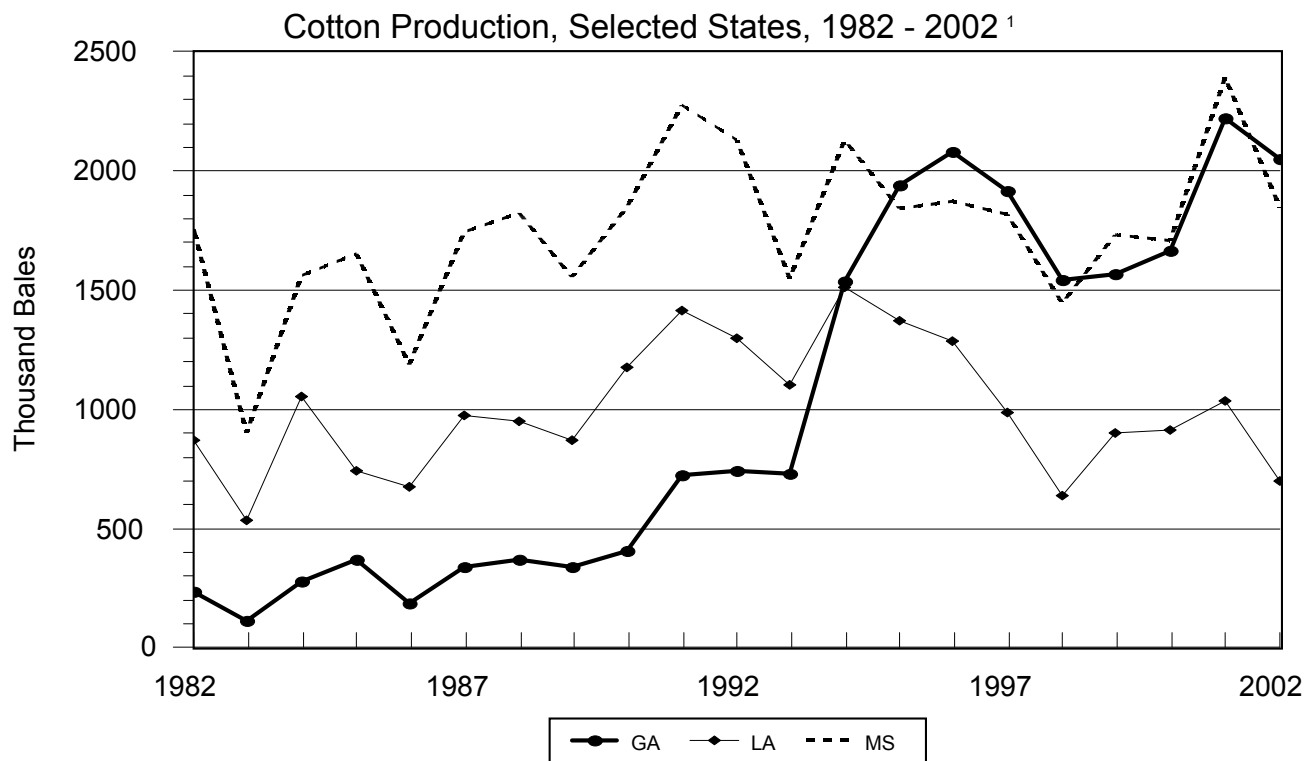
<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

**Cotton Ginnings: Running Bales Ginned (Excluding Linters) Prior to October 15,  
by Selected States and United States, Crop Years 1999 - 2002**

Crop and State	Running Bales Ginned			
	1999	2000	2001	2002
All Cotton				
Alabama	194,800	211,100	120,450	112,650
Arizona	68,750	152,800	111,550	109,150
Arkansas	728,600	675,900	638,700	348,100
California	73,150	251,000	190,450	157,950
Florida <sup>1</sup>		20,800	16,500	
Georgia	188,150	198,250	256,150	248,600
Louisiana	552,950	648,500	415,650	266,650
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>924,100</b>	<b>1,068,800</b>	<b>764,750</b>	<b>577,800</b>
Missouri	290,300	258,400	225,750	126,300
New Mexico <sup>1</sup>		12,500	9,000	
North Carolina	13,650	127,150	124,250	116,850
Oklahoma	16,550	50,600	12,850	30,450
South Carolina	26,500	64,000	60,550	18,350
Tennessee	325,550	411,400	319,450	170,950
Texas	1,464,300	1,775,050	1,342,100	1,217,200
Virginia	3,000	4,550	8,150	12,650
United States	4,885,350	5,930,800	4,616,300	3,523,400

<sup>1</sup> Not Published to avoid disclosing individual gins.



<sup>1</sup>2002 preliminary production.

## Chicken Eggs in Incubators: by Region and United States, October 1, 2001 - 2002

State	Broiler-Type			Egg-type		
	2001	2002	2002/2001	2001	2002	2002/2001
	1,000 Pounds		Percent	1,000 Pounds		Percent
North Atlantic	12,135	10,887	90	4,896	4,549	93
East North Central	7,356	7,725	105	5,996	6,047	101
West North Central	19,167	17,688	92	6,984	6,299	90
South Atlantic	230,332	218,443	95	4,367	3,739	86
South Central	326,008	315,364	97	4,987	5,241	105
West	20,144	21,206	105	4,638	4,967	107
United States	615,142	591,313	96	31,868	30,842	97

## September Layers and Egg Production, Selected States and United States

State	All Layers on Hand		Table Eggs <sup>1</sup>		Hatching Eggs <sup>1</sup>	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
	1,000		Million		Million	
Alabama	10,392	9,989	59	50	135	137
Arkansas	14,235	14,394	100	94	167	171
Florida	10,804	10,654	209	213	14	13
Georgia	21,124	20,237	247	237	171	171
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>6,687</b>	<b>6,831</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>91</b>
North Carolina	11,090	10,692	76	77	135	126
Oklahoma	3,973	3,964	43	42	31	32
South Carolina	5,637	5,319	101	95	18	18
Virginia	3,317	2,882	31	29	28	27
United States	335,020	337,151	5,993	6,099	1,051	1,045

<sup>1</sup> Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched, by Selected States and United States  
September 2001 - 2002

State	September			January-September		
	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
Alabama	103,072	102,721	100	929,634	949,023	102
Arkansas	106,160	104,631	99	963,267	978,678	102
Florida	8,139	7,729	95	78,559	74,990	95
Georgia	109,741	110,611	101	1,002,689	1,019,078	102
Kentucky	22,692	23,318	103	201,641	213,006	106
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>66,022</b>	<b>66,572</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>602,460</b>	<b>618,108</b>	<b>103</b>
North Carolina	61,872	63,156	102	591,125	607,295	103
Texas	51,934	51,600	99	477,120	494,300	104
United States	738,355	741,140	100	6,786,723	6,910,645	102

**United States Farm-Raised Catfish: Quantity Processed and Prices Paid to Producers by Major Processors, and United States Imports, 2001 - 2002**

Month	Round Weight Processed				Average Price Paid to Producers <sup>1</sup>		Imports of Catfish <sup>2</sup>	
	Monthly		Cumulative					
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
	1,000 Pounds				Dollars Per Pound		1,000 Pounds	
January	46,999	52,551	46,999	52,551	.693	.549	862	1,037
February	50,257	52,856	97,256	105,407	.696	.555	510	1,048
March	57,766	58,340	155,022	163,747	.697	.565	1,201	414
April	52,478	50,694	207,500	214,441	.694	.561	1,787	618
May	51,736	52,902	259,236	267,343	.687	.574	1,989	1,491
June	47,883	49,450	307,119	316,793	.669	.588	2,114	982
July	47,829	52,363	354,948	369,156	.656	.590	1,968	957
August	51,690	54,383	406,638	423,539	.624	.582	1,385	632
September	49,699	53366	456,337	476,905	.610	.576	1,536	
October	52,264		508,601		.596		1,608	
November	44,670		553,271		.566		1,724	
December	43,837		597,108		.554		1,395	

<sup>1</sup> Price for fish delivered to processing plant door. Price includes charges for any services provided by the processing plant, such as seining and hauling, but does not include adjustments based on year-end settlements.

<sup>2</sup> Pounds of frozen boneless fillets. Data furnished by U.S. Bureau of Census.

**United States Catfish: Sales, Average Price and Ending Inventory, September 2001 - 2002**

Item	Sales Volume		Average Price		Ending Inventory	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars Per Pound		1,000 Pounds	
Fresh						
Whole Fish	3,174	3,418	1.53	1.32	164	185
Fillets <sup>1</sup>	5,264	5,317	2.69	2.54	559	405
Other <sup>2</sup>	1,449	1,441	1.52	1.54	156	95
Total Fresh	9,887	10,176	2.14	1.99	879	685
Frozen						
Whole Fish	937	1,420	2.00	1.82	549	766
Fillets <sup>1</sup>	9,347	10,842	2.51	2.41	9,130	6,528
Other <sup>2</sup>	4,039	4,060	1.57	1.49	2,216	2,077
Total Frozen	14,323	16,322	2.21	2.13	11,895	9,371
Total Fresh & Frozen	24,210	26,498	2.18	2.08	12,774	10,056

<sup>1</sup> Includes regular, shank, and strip fillets; excludes any breaded product.

<sup>2</sup> Includes steaks, nuggets and all other products not already reported, including weight of breading and added ingredients.

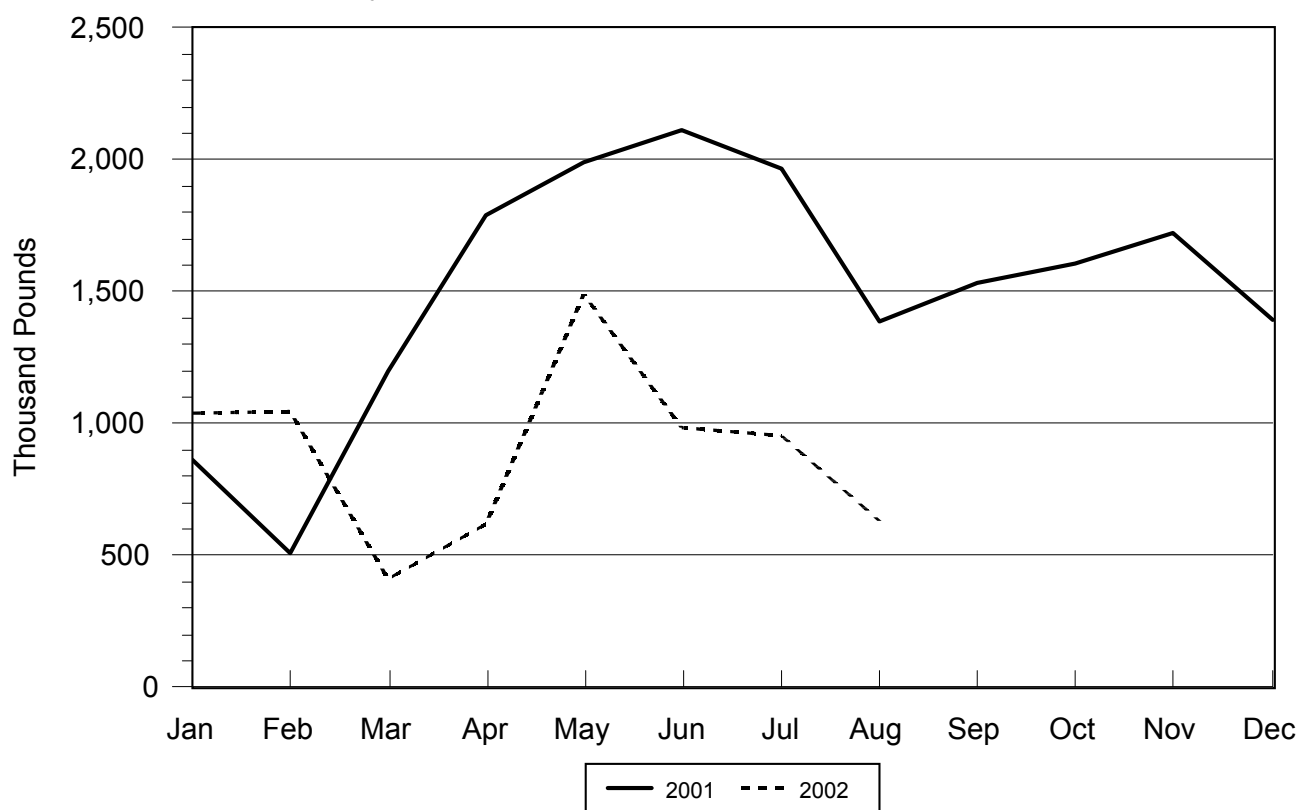
Commercial Red Meat Production: by Selected States and United States, 2001 - 2002 <sup>1</sup>

State	September 2001	August 2002	September 2002	September 2002 as Percent of <sup>2</sup>	
				September 2001	August 2002
Million Pounds			Percent		
Alabama	3.9	4.5	4.2	108	93
Arkansas	5.0	5.7	5.2	104	91
Florida	4.9	5.9	5.9	121	101
Georgia	24.1	22.6	19.1	79	84
Kentucky	34.8	37.6	38.6	111	103
Louisiana	1.4	1.4	1.4	98	96
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>23.7</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>92</b>
Missouri	33.0	34.4	35.3	107	103
North Carolina	157.1	171.2	173.7	111	101
Oklahoma	75.3	82.3	76.9	102	93
South Carolina	17.3	21.3	19.2	111	90
Tennessee	18.3	20.2	19.6	107	97
Texas	372.8	461.4	399.5	107	87
United States	3,665.7	4,139.9	3,873.2	106	94

<sup>1</sup> Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.

<sup>2</sup> Percentages based on unrounded data.

## Monthly Catfish Imports, United States, 2001 - 2002



## Food Expenditures, by Age Group, United States, 1997

Item	All Households	Age of Household Head			
		Less than 25	25-34	35-44	45-54
Dollars					
Annual Pre-tax Income	39,926	15,666	40,247	48,788	55,260
Weekly Per Capita Food Expenditures	37.97	28.01	34.85	35.62	42.67
Food Away from Home	14.20	12.80	14.91	14.20	17.12
Food at Home	23.77	15.20	19.94	21.42	25.56
Cereal and Cereal Products	1.29	.95	1.19	1.19	1.32
Bakery Products	2.50	1.60	2.19	2.19	2.72
Dairy Products	2.62	1.81	2.60	2.60	2.72
Beef	1.72	1.44	1.53	1.53	2.03
Pork	1.27	.66	1.06	1.06	1.46
Poultry	1.17	.72	1.10	1.10	1.25
Fish and Seafood	.76	.35	.65	.65	.91
Other Meats	.78	.47	.75	.75	.81
Eggs	.28	.20	.22	.22	.29
Fats and Oils	.70	.34	.56	.56	.70
Fresh Fruits	1.37	.85	1.09	1.09	1.32
Processed Fruits	.89	.54	.74	.74	.93
Fresh Vegetables	1.24	.58	1.02	1.02	1.36
Processed Vegetables	.66	.37	.57	.57	.73
Nonalcoholic Beverages	4.12	1.85	3.50	3.50	4.36
Sugar and Other Sweets	1.01	.54	.87	.87	1.10
Miscellaneous Prepared Foods	3.43	2.43	3.32	3.32	3.61

Item	All Households	Age of Household Head		
		55-64	65-74	75+
Dollars				
Annual Pre-tax Income	39,926	41,734	27,492	19,425
Weekly Per Capita Food Expenditures	37.97	43.40	41.44	36.21
Food Away from Home	14.20	13.96	13.04	9.89
Food at Home	23.77	29.44	29.39	26.31
Cereal and Cereal Products	1.29	1.45	1.50	1.35
Bakery Products	2.50	3.06	3.00	2.84
Dairy Products	2.62	3.09	3.14	2.90
Beef	1.72	2.06	1.97	1.64
Pork	1.27	1.75	1.57	1.56
Poultry	1.17	1.38	1.51	1.15
Fish and Seafood	.76	1.04	.90	.76
Other Meats	.78	1.02	.99	.81
Eggs	.28	.35	.36	.36
Fats and Oils	.70	.94	.89	.87
Fresh Fruits	1.37	1.72	1.80	2.12
Processed Fruits	.89	1.08	1.14	1.17
Fresh Vegetables	1.24	1.70	1.70	1.47
Processed Vegetables	.66	.83	.84	.73
Nonalcoholic beverages	4.12	5.38	5.01	5.44
Sugar and Other Sweets	1.01	1.37	1.34	1.01
Miscellaneous Prepared Foods	3.43	4.04	3.44	3.59

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Upland Cotton and Rice: Prices Received and Marketings,  
United States, October 2002, with Comparisons

Item	Unit	August 2002 <sup>1</sup>	September 2002 <sup>1</sup>	October 2002 <sup>2</sup>
Cotton, Upland				
Average Price	Dollars/Pound	.330	.352	.365
Marketings <sup>3</sup>	1,000 Bales	354	412	NA
Rice				
Average Price	Dollars/Cwt	3.72	3.94	3.86
Marketings <sup>4</sup>	1,000 Cwt	11,478	12,787	NA

<sup>1</sup> Entire month.

<sup>2</sup> Based on purchases for the first half of the month.

<sup>3</sup> Expanded data from sample of about 60 percent of buyers.

<sup>4</sup> Purchases by private firms and rice (rough equivalent) shipped by cooperatives.

Selected Index Numbers for Prices Received and Paid,  
1990 - 92 = 100, by Months, United States, 2001 and 2002

Month	Index of Prices Received						Index of Prices Paid			
	All Farm Products		All Crops		Livestock and Products		All Items		Production Items	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
January	97	95	94	93	100	97	125	122	121	117
February	100	99	98	101	102	97	124	123	121	117
March	103	106	99	117	107	95	124	123	120	118
April	106	95	103	100	109	90	124	123	120	118
May	108	97	105	106	110	90	124	123	120	118
June	107	98	102	106	113	91	124	123	120	118
July	108	100	104	111	112	89	123	123	120	119
August	110	100	109	114	111	87	124	124	120	120
September	106	99	102	110	111	86	124	125	120	121
October	94	95	88	101	104	87	123	125	119	122
November	93		89		99		122		118	
December	93		90		96		122		117	

## Mississippi and United States Price Highlights

Commodity	Unit	October 2001 Entire Month		September 2002 Entire Month		October 2002 Mid-Month	
		MS	US	MS	US	MS	US
Dollars							
Corn	bu	---	1.84	---	2.47	---	2.36 <sup>2</sup>
Cotton, Upland	lb	.402	.307		.352		.365 <sup>2</sup>
Sorghum, grain	cwt	---	3.30	---	4.30	---	4.22
Soybeans	bu	4.25	4.09	5.60	5.39	5.27	5.16
Winter Wheat	bu	---	2.82	---	4.14	---	4.41
Rice, Rough	cwt	---	4.36	---	3.94	---	3.86
All Milk	cwt	---	15.60	---	11.60	---	11.90
Fluid	cwt	---	15.60	---	11.60	---	11.90
Manufacturing	cwt	---	14.30	---	10.30	---	10.70
All Beef Cattle	cwt	---	66.50	---	64.80	---	64.10
Cows	cwt	---	37.60	---	37.90	---	33.70
Calves	cwt	---	99.70	---	92.00	---	91.10
Steers & Heifers	cwt	---	70.10	---	68.00	---	67.80
All Hogs	cwt	---	40.20	---	26.70	---	31.90
Barrows & Gilts	cwt	---	40.60	---	27.20	---	32.60
Sows	cwt	---	33.10	---	15.10	---	19.80
Broilers, Live	lb	---	.410	---	.300	---	.280
Market Eggs	doz	.510 <sup>3</sup>	.431 <sup>3</sup>	.400 <sup>3</sup>	.390 <sup>3</sup>	.360	.348

--- Estimates not made.

<sup>1</sup> Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

<sup>2</sup> Based on sales during the first half of the month.

<sup>3</sup> Mid-month prices.